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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a);
- 2. Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116;
- 3. Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
- 4. One (1) cited document listed on Form PTO-1449 (1 page);
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